Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, In 1909, the railroad set out to expand its line from Gettysburg to Blunt, and it was determined that stops would be necessary in order to take on water after which the Western Town Lot Company purchased land and platted Agar, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, In May 1910, the railroad sank the first artesian well in what would become the city of Agar, and on May 12, 1910, the first two lots were sold in the community, with several more sold in the next several weeks; and,

Whereas, Eight teams of horses were enlisted to make the trip from Gettysburg to Agar with lumber for the 17 buildings initially being built by 30 carpenters and 6 plasterers; and,

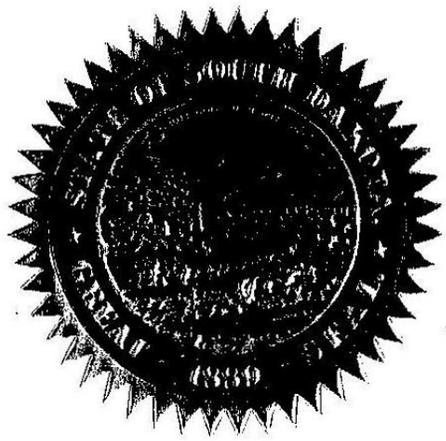
Whereas, Descendents of several of Agar's first settlers continue to call it their home, with two general stores, the lumber yard, and several homes built in 1910, still housing businesses and residents today; and,

Whereas, The community of Agar has demonstrated a strong community spirit in supporting their town with pride, and will celebrate its 100th Anniversary with numerous planned activities on June 11-13, 2010:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 11-13, 2010, as

AGAR CENTENNIAL DAYS

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State